

22 June 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Record

SUBJECT : Field Inspection of Mobile Shelving Installation in the
Washington D. C. Area.

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1. On Friday 19 June, at the request of Mr. [REDACTED], Records Management Branch, the following persons visited installations containing mobile shelving now in use:

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Mr. [REDACTED] RECD/OI
Mr. [REDACTED]
Mr. [REDACTED] PE, [REDACTED] 25X1A6a

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2. The purpose of the inspections was to point out to Mr. [REDACTED] some of the operational problems which have occurred since the installations were put in use. Having a better idea of problems which could be expected will enable Mr. [REDACTED] to prepare more explicit, detailed specifications, and perhaps eliminate future problems at this installation.

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3. The first inspection was at the NPIC, which has the [REDACTED] shelving. The installing contractor was present at the time and busy correcting small problems which had occurred. Mr. [REDACTED] and I were both able to question him regarding specific items and malfunctions. The installation was performing well and the customers appeared to be pleased with it. Only one unresolved problem remains--the as yet unattempted length and height of shelving required for our installation. The manufacturer apparently feels that he can adapt his moveable base and control system to fit our needs at this installation. This will be resolved when he has installed a full-sized operational mockup, loaded to design capacity, and has demonstrated it under operational conditions.

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4. The second inspection was in the Headquarters building in R.I.D., Jack [REDACTED] section. The shelving there is [REDACTED] and has developed some problems with safety switches and motors. The [REDACTED] has changed out some 15 electric drive motors since the original installation and has changed the gear drive ratio. They have continued to improve the system to the point where it is now apparently trouble free. This company says they have no problem in adapting their shelving to our requirements. They too will set up and operate a full scale operational model under planned loads.

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5. Mr. [REDACTED] was returned to the Washington National Airport at approximately 3:45 for his departure to [REDACTED]. He felt the trip was worthwhile and that he had obtained some useful information which will help in preparing contract documents and specifications. He also agrees with Mr. [REDACTED] that before any contract is awarded we MUST see an operational, full-size unit, operating under our planned load.

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6. Before returning to [REDACTED] I was informed by Mr. [REDACTED] that the Chief RECD/OL had made arrangements for Mr. [REDACTED] to remain as the Project Engineer. He will continue to coordinate all efforts made by the [REDACTED] and our own personnel.

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